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VIEWS

REF: PARIS 5263 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: QUAIS CHIEF EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS LEQUERTIER CONFIRMS (REFTEL) THAT POLISH FONMIN OLSZOWSKI'S PARIS VISIT WAS LARGELY ATMOSPHERIC EXERCISE TO MAINTAIN PACE AND GLOSS OF "SPECIAL" FRENCH-POLISH RELATIONS. POSSIBLE BILATERAL SUBSTANCE OF VISIT WAS PREEMPTED BY ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL MIXED COMMISSION WHICH HAD JUST MET. OTHER ISSUES MAY BE BEING SAVED FOR POLISH PRIME MINISTER'S VISIT TO PARIS, NOW SCHEDULED FOR MAY. END SUMMARY.

2. OLSZOWSKI WAS BRIEFLY RECEIVED BOTH BY GISCARD AND CHIRAC. HIS ONLY SUBSTANTIVE CONVERSATION, HOWEVER, WAS WITH SAUVAGNARGUES. IT FOCUSED ON TWO ISSUES, DETENTE AND THE GERMAN-POLISH TREATY. ON DETENTE OLSZOWSKI SAID THAT IT WAS "TOO IMPORTANT TO LEAVE TO ONE SUPER-POWER," I.E., THE USSR; THAT POLAND WOULD THEREFORE CONTINUE TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN PROCESS SINCE POLISH SECURITY DEPENDS DIRECTLY ON IT. FOR THESE REASONS OLSZOWSKI HOPED TO CONTINUE HIGH LEVEL OF FRENCH-POLISH COOPERATION IN ADVANCING ISSUES IN THIS FIELD. SAUVAGNARGUES, REPORTEDLY SOMEWHAT SURPRISED BY OLSZOWSKI'S CANDOR, READILY AGREED.

3. AS REGARDS DIFFICULTIES THE FRG-POLISH TREATY HAS ENCOUNTERED IN BONN, OLSZOWSKI STRESSED AT LENGTH THE IMPORTANCE OF ISSUE FOR POLAND, FRG AND EUROPE AS A WHOLE. SAUVAGNARGUES AGREED AND INFORMED HIM THAT FRENCH IN FACT HAD ALREADY EXPRESSED THEIR VIEWS ON ISSUE IN CONVERSATIONS WITH CHANCELLOR AND GENSCHER, AS WELL AS WITH CDU CANDIDATE KOHL, WHO WAS RECENTLY IN FRANCE ON PRIVATE VISIT DURING WHICH HE MET WITH SAUVAGNARGUES. OLSZOWSKI WAS PLEASED, SAID HE TRUSTED SCHMIDT, GENSCHER, AND EVEN KOHL, BUT WAS NOT SURE LATTER COULD DELIVER. (COMMENT: LEQUERTIER SAID IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION THAT POLES IN FACT HAD NOT ASKED FRENCH TO DISCUSS GERMAN-POLISH TREATY ISSUE WITH THE FRG. WE FIND IT ALL THE MORE INTERESTING THEREFORE AND AN INDICATION OF IMPOR-

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TANCE PARIS ATTACHES TO POLISH CONNECTION, THAT FRENCH SHOULD VOLUNTEER THAT THEY HAD DONE SO AT THEIR OWN

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SELVES TO EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN, AND DOUBT SERIOUSLY
THAT SAUVAGNARGUES WOULD HAVE GONE SO FAR AS TO PLEAD
ANY ASPECT POLISH CASE IN BONN.)

4. OTHER ISSUES INVOLVED MBFR, REGARDING WHICH OLSZOWSKI
HOPED THAT COMPROMISE BETWEEN LATEST WESTERN AND EASTERN
PROPOSALS MIGHT LEAD TO SOLUTIONS; THE TINDEMANS REPORT,
WHICH SAUVAGNARGUES DOWNPLAYED BY STRESSING THAT
PROSPECT OF A COMMON FOREIGN POLICY WAS STILL FAR OFF IN
THE FUTURE, WHILE OLSZOWSKI IN INTERESTING TWIST NOTED
THAT POLES DO NOT OBJECT TO "INTEGRATION" AS SUCH AS
LONG AS NATIONAL IDENTITIES WERE PRESERVED; AND THE PRO-
POSED CEMA-COMMON MARKET UMBRELLA AGREEMENT WHICH
OLSZOWSKI TALKED UP AS FLEXIBLE AND FULL OF PROSPECT.
POLES WERE ALSO INTENSELY INTERESTED IN RELATING THE
NORTH-SOUTH TO THE EAST-WEST DIALOGUE. FINALLY THERE
WAS TALK OF CYPRUS, THE MIDDLE EAST AND PARTICULARLY
DJIBOUTI, REGARDING WHICH SAUVAGNARGUES EXPLAINED FRENCH
VIEWS AT LENGTH.

5. LEQUETIER SUMMED UP BY SAYING VISIT WAS UNEVENTFUL
BUT USEFUL IN CONTINUING EVOLUTION OF FRENCH-POLISH
TIES.

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